Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): (*a*) Assembly ... 20
Council ... 5

(*b*) 16.

(*c*) 2.

Grant of age-bar exemptions after 1-1-1111.

183. ***Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavancode*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether any age-bar exemptions have been granted since 1st Chingam 1111?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai. Yes.

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: May I know the number of cases in which age-bar exemptions were granted?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: 28.

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: May I know the castes to which these exemptions belong?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: I claim notice.

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: May I know whether exemptions were given to castes who are well represented in the Government service?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It depends upon circumstances. Generally exemption is given to those belonging to communities which are not well represented in the Government service. In exceptional cases exemptions are granted even to members of communities which are well represented also.

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: Am I to understand then that Government gave exemptions to deserving candidates.

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai. Each case was looked into and decided on its merits.

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: Is there any standard rule for granting exemptions?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: No.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know to what posts exemptions are granted?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: For the posts of clerks, teachers, sub-overseers, compounders, electricians, tailors, Arabic instructors and so on.

Appointments from outside the waiting list in the Registration Department.

184. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have ordered that none other than those in the waiting list be newly entertained in service;

(*b*) whether the Director of Registration has made any appointment in violation of this order; and

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[Mr. J. John Kattakayam.]

(*c*) if so, will they be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing such appointments ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) In view of answer to (*a*), these do not arise.

Appointments made by the present Conservator of Forests and the Divisional Forest Officers.

185. ***Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman** : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of appointments, permanent and acting, made during the period of two years ending 10th Tulam 1111, by the Divisional Forest Officers and the Conservator of Forests who are now in service ?

Mr. R. Dhanukoti Pillai (*Conservator of Forests*) : A *statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Bible in Courts.

186. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Bible is not ordinarily kept in courts and the sect by whom this Bible has been published ; and

(*b*) whether there is not the rule that the Catholics should not use the Bible of other sections of Christians without the sanction and approval of their religious heads ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) and (*b*) A Bible used by the Roman Catholics and one used in Protestant Churches are ordinarily kept in courts. Government have no information on the other points.

License for conveyancers.

187. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Director of Registration has required that conveyancers should have licenses ; and

(*b*) the reasons therefor ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : (*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

Delay in the disposal of suits.

188. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state the reason for the increase, comparatively, of cases filed in courts side by side with the appointment of additional judicial officers in the High Court and in the lower courts ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : The member is referred to Part II of the Report of the Laws' Delays Commissioner.

* *Vide* appendix VIII—page 385.

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